

THURSDAY IS THE WORLD'S SITUATION DAY.

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DR. BUFFUN'S BRIDE.

Pittsburg Millionaire's Son
Tricked by an Adventuress.

Annie Wetmore Well Known to the
Police of This Country.

A Baby, Bought for the Purpose,
Exhibited as His Offspring.

The name of Anne E. Wetmore is well known to the police and courts of this and other cities, and a mere mention of her brings up a flood of recollections.



PARTNER EMBEZZLES \$15,000.

George A. Whitman, Bookkeeper
for Spooner & Co., Arrested.

George A. Whitman, forty-five years of age, was arrested in the Tombs Court before Justice Martin this morning on a charge of embezzling \$15,000 from the Spooner Manufacturing Company, at 250 West Twenty-seventh street, and with falsifying the pay rolls and forging the firm's signature. Whitman has been cashier and bookkeeper of the firm since 1888. In 1890 he was made a partner.

Justice Martin held Whitman in \$5,000
for examination this afternoon.

Whitman was arrested at the firm's place of business by Central Office detectives and McGrath as he was leaving for his home at 10 o'clock. He was taken to the Tombs Court, where he spent the night.

He refused to talk of the matter any further than to say that he had been employed by the firm since 1888. He was only getting the money back.

Upon examination of the books by the court, it was found that he had embezzled \$15,000 from the firm. He was released on \$5,000 bail.

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An Indignant Father Has His Aged
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An Old Woman Nearly Blinds Two
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NEWARK, N. J., May 23.—Ann Wilson, an old vagrant, nearly blinded two police men in New York.

This morning when arrested for vagrancy in the Third Precinct.

She threw the contents of a box of pepper into the eyes of the two police men.

OPEN INVESTIGATION.

That is the Decision of the Fair-
child Commission.

Preliminaries of the Customs In-
quiry Settled This Morning.

Proceedings Will Begin To-Morrow
at the Barge Office.

There was a stir this morning at the custom-house. The Fairchild Commission, as it is now popularly known, which has been appointed by Secretary Taft to make a thorough investigation of all the branches of the custom service at this port, has at last settled down to its work.

The session was held for a week this morning, and at that hour two of the members of the committee were already on hand.

They were ex-collector Daniel Magone, and ex-congressman Alexander Dunn, of Arkansas.

They arrived at the custom-house about a quarter of an hour before the appointed time, and had taken possession of the bureau's room in the east corridor, adjoining the rotunda, which has been set apart for the commission during the investigation.

With them was Wallace MacFarlane, New York Anti-Snapper lawyer, who is to be the chief counsel for the commission.

Mr. Fairchild himself, and Mr. Magone, the investigation, especially in the solving of legal questions that may arise.

Mr. Fairchild himself did not arrive until after 10 o'clock. It is not the custom of the ex-secretary of the treasury to be committal, but in response to questions by an "Evening World" reporter he said that there was very little probability that anything would be done today in the line of examining witnesses.

There was a great deal of preliminary work to be done in the way of trying out the plan and scope of the investigation and preparing the ground for actual business, and this he said would undoubtedly consume the greater part of the day.

The session today would be a private one, he said, and no one would be admitted to the committee-room outside of the commission.

He said that the members of the commission would be summoned from time to time, principally the heads of departments to whom it might be necessary to give instructions for furnishing the information that might be desired by the commission.

Whether the subsequent meetings would be open or secret he had nothing to say.

For the next two hours the door of the committee-room was closed, and when it was opened to admit a special Treasury Agent, a number of men were seen entering the room.

Among these was Mr. Montgomery, the chief of the department of the treasury, who had been summoned to the committee-room to receive instructions from the chief of the commission.

None of these officials would have anything to say as to what instructions they had received, but they were all seen to enter the committee-room and to leave it.

The narrow passageway in front of the entrance to the committee-room was crowded with reporters all the morning, and the waiting outside was a most interesting sight.

There seemed to be a lot of people in the line, and the waiting was a most interesting sight.

The general uneasiness was manifested by the fact that the members of the commission were all seen to enter the committee-room and to leave it.

It was a fact that they could obtain little or no satisfactory information only seemed to make them more persistent in their inquiries.

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JUMPED TO DEATH.

Aged Benjamin Carver's Awful
Suicide at the Bristol.

Threw Himself Out of the Fifth
Story Window.

His Body Falls Through Space
While Hundreds Look On.

A shocking sight was witnessed by those who were passing by the hotel Bristol, at Forty-second street and Fifth avenue, a few minutes after 11 o'clock this morning.

An aged, white-haired man, clad only in his night-trousers, leaped from a fifth-story window of the hotel and was dashed to death on the pavement below.

The old man was said to be Benjamin F. Carver, who has been staying at the hotel for several months past. He was seventy years old and an invalid, having been for a long time a sufferer from heart disease.

Within the last week it is said that he has manifested symptoms of insanity, and two trained nurses were employed to watch him continuously, for he seemed to be possessed with a suicidal mania.

The passer-by on the street below first caught sight of the old man as he climbed out upon the window sill, and when his body suddenly shot down a distance of fully eighty feet, and struck the iron steps inside the archedway leading from the sidewalk to the basement, it fairly made the blood of the spectators run cold.

There were hundreds of people passing at the time, and there was a general rush for the archedway where his body had disappeared from sight.

It lay motionless upon the flagging below, while a stream of blood oozed from a frightful gash in the back of the head and formed a small pool on the floor of the area.

His face was not disfigured, and he had evidently struck the edge of the iron stairway with the back of his head. Death must have been instantaneous.

The only clothing which he had on was his night shirt. The body made a complete turn in the air as it descended. Not a struggle was noticed after it struck the ground.

In less than a minute a throng of several hundred people had collected. Women shrieked and men turned pale at the sight.

One of the nurses who had attended Mr. Carver appeared on the sidewalk immediately after the accident, bringing a sheet, which was thrown over the mangled body, concealing it from the sight of the morbidly curious.

A few minutes afterward an ambulance, which had been summoned to come up, and the surgeon who examined the body said that death had been instantaneous. The back of the skull was entirely crushed in.

The nurse who was attending Mr. Carver at the time said that Mrs. Carver was in the room with her husband. His mind seemed to be clear. He was lying in his bed, and complained of feeling warm. He asked his wife to open the window, which she did.

He also sent the nurse out of the room on some errand, and no sooner was her back turned than, according to the latter's story, he leaped from the bed and made straight for the window before his wife knew what he was about.

He scrambled over upon the window sill and disappeared over the edge just as his wife made a rush for him. She uttered a shriek as she saw him disappear, and fell senseless upon the floor where the nurse found her when she ran back from the adjoining room at the sound of the commotion.

The window from which Mr. Carver leaped, was about ten feet high, and the fall was a spring, was the first window on the fourth floor from the Fifth avenue corner. Directly under it was the deep basement area, connected by an iron staircase about ten feet high with the sidewalk above. Mr. Carver's head struck on the lowest step of the staircase.

Mr. Berendorf, an eye-witness of the suicide, who was passing by on Forty-second street, said:

"It was the most horrible sight that I ever saw. I noticed the old man struggling to get out of the window before he jumped, as if he was trying to get away from somebody who was pursuing him."

He scrambled over the sill, and half dropping and half jumping he pitched over the ledge head first.

He did not utter a sound, but I heard several people who saw the sight at the same time I did give a cry of alarm, and a number of women seemed to be on the point of fainting.

I got off the car and ran to the spot immediately, but the man was evidently dead and nothing could be done. He lay doubled up in the bottom of the area, with the back of his head entirely crushed in.

I remained there for over half an hour and the body still lay on the bare flagging when I came away. They said it could not be moved till the coroner came.

"Some one had thrown a sheet over the body, but it was stained with blood, and the useless frame could be seen beneath."

Inquiries were made at the hotel about the suicide, but the people were very reticent. It was said, however, that Mr. Carver was very wealthy and that his home was in Chicago.

FOR FALSE IMPRISONMENT.

Miller's Suit Against a Jockey Club
Adjudged.

When the suit brought by William Miller against Robert A. Pinkerton was called before Justice Bartlett, in Supreme Court, Brooklyn, this morning, the fact came to light that most of the similar suits had been settled.

Two years ago, when the Brooklyn Jockey Club was fighting the prosecution, many persons were imprisoned behind the gates of the race track until after the races had been run.

Miller, among others, sued the Jockey Club and Robert Pinkerton for false imprisonment. On the day of the calendar today counsel for the defendant asked for an adjournment, he said that the other cases had been settled. The application was granted.

How to Get Out!
THINKERS, for this people, do not. Pamphlet free. THINCAURA CO., 949 Broadway, New York.

WALKED IN WITH TYPHUS.

Bernard Skinner Sent to North
Brother Island.

Bernard Skinner, twenty-four years old, and living at 313 Eleventh avenue, who walked into Chambers Street Hospital with typhus fever yesterday, was taken up to North Brother Island today.

Samuel Metzger, a fifteen months' old child, was found ill with small-pox at 81 Bayard street.

Newark Police Inspection
NEWARK, N. J., May 23.—The annual inspection of Newark police will be held at Military Park to-morrow.

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Abroad To-Day and To-Morrow.

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PRESENTMENT BY GRAND JURY

Strong Opinion Handed Up in the
Hollins Matter.

No Indictment Found, but Legisla-
tion Is Recommended.

The Grand Jury, which has been investigating the source of the false reports regarding the firm of H. B. Hollins & Co., came into the Court of General Sessions shortly after noon today and handed up the following presentment:

"During the present financial crisis, and at a time when the market was likely to be affected by almost any disturbing incident, certain false and wholly unwarranted rumors in regard to the solvency of some of our strongest and most reputable banking houses were circulated in the community, the effect of which, had they unhappily gained credence, would have been most disastrous to the community."

"We deemed it a duty to undertake an investigation where these rumors originated, and in what manner they were spread, and to the end that the community might be protected from the recurrence of such a calamity, we have come to the conclusion that while there are circumstances tending to indicate that the rumors were the result of the malicious and malicious intentions of some persons, we are not justified in view of the unsatisfactory nature of the great mass of testimony in finding an indictment against any of the guilty parties."

"In the course of our inquiry we have been especially impressed by the fact that although the falsehoods were evidently fabricated with the intention of doing injury to the credit of the community, the result was accomplished as much by the careless and careless repetition of the rumors as by the malicious intentions of the originators of the rumors."

"While the immediate tendency of these rumors was to create a feeling of confidence in the responsible business concerns, and thus to create a feeling of general distrust and apprehension in financial and banking circles, in order that the conspirators may take advantage of the resulting injury and profit by the misfortune of others, the effect of the damage that may be produced is enormous."

"We are of the opinion that this incident should be made the occasion of more stringent legislation, and that a punishment proportionate to the injury of the offense and applicable not only to the originators of the false rumors, but to those who repeat and publish them without reasonable ground for belief in their truth, should be provided."

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EULALIA'S QUIET DAY.

Coaching Trip to Great Falls
Planned for This Afternoon.

Crowds at the Hotel Get a Pleasant
Glimpse of the Infants.

WASHINGTON, May 23.—Crowds continued to surround the entrance to the Princess Eulalia's apartments in the Arlington from an early hour in the morning and throughout the day. Most of those who waited this morning to catch a sight of the nation's guest were women.

It was exactly 11 o'clock when the Princess appeared at the outer doorway of the Annex. She stood there for a minute or two in full view of the people, buttoning her sleeve and chatting briskly with Senator Muragua, the Spanish Minister, and her lady-in-waiting, the Marchioness of Arco-Hermosa.

She wore a gown of figured Nile silk, suited in its cool appearance to the sultry atmosphere. Her hat was low-crowned, narrow rimmed straw sailor, and she carried a light, hand-painted parasol.

Senor Muragua assisted the Princess and the Marchioness into the open carriage and then climbed in himself.

Just as the vehicle started the Infanta smiled and bowed right and left. She did so pleasantly and unostentatiously that the crowd was charmed. The monarch lifted her hat, while the women indulged in more remarks of the same complimentary character as those the Infanta heard during her passage through the money vaults of the Treasury Building yesterday.

The drive was a mere constitutional, and included the shade highways of the northwestern part of the city. On the return of the Infanta to the Arlington breakfast was served.

The programme this afternoon is a fairly long trip to the Great Falls of the Potomac, about eighteen miles from Washington. If the trip grows tiresome or the weather should prove unfavorable, the terminus will be Catonsville Bridge, the largest single span structure in the world and a noted picnicking ground.

DIAMOND SMUGGLING CASE.

Leroux's Counsel Charges Inspectors with Perjury.

The examination of Eugene Leroux and his wife, Jennie, the French people accused by the United States authorities with having smuggled a quantity of jewelry, valued at \$20,000, was continued before United States Commissioner Morie in Brooklyn this morning.

Leroux's counsel moved to have the case dismissed on the ground that there was not sufficient evidence to hold the prisoners.

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